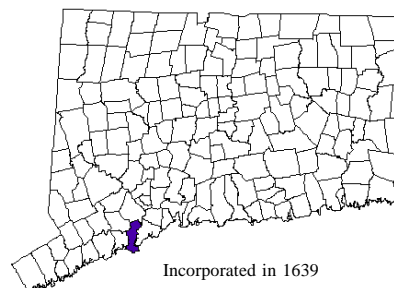


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Fairfield County
Bridgeport Labor Market Area
Greater Bridgeport Economic Dev. Region
Greater Bridgeport Planning Area



Incorporated in 1639

Demographics

<i>Population (2001)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Race/Ethnicity (2001)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1990	49,389	827,645	3,287,116	White	45,028	755,029	2,997,210
2000	49,976	882,567	3,405,565	Black	3,948	84,532	266,880
2001	49,976	887,208	3,414,784	Asian Pacific	400	18,550	52,248
2006	50,229	909,248	3,465,947	Native American	50	1,277	6,660
'01-'06 Growth (AAGR)	0.10%	0.49%	0.30%	Hispanic (any race)	3,498	102,912	318,289
Land Area (sq. miles)	18	626	5,009	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	3.5%	6.1%	6.6%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (2001)	2,843	1,418	682	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (2001)	\$28,527	\$42,304	\$32,317	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (2001)	19,599	328,770	1,285,210	High School Graduate	12,350	35.0%	648,366
Median Age (2001)	40	38	37	Some College	7,672	21.7%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	7,526	21.3%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (2001)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	1,350 3%	4,077 8%	1,707 3%	8,615 17%	4,128 8%	3,963 8%	23,840
Female	1,339 3%	3,964 8%	1,591 3%	9,004 18%	4,698 9%	5,540 11%	26,136
County Total	54,022 6%	151,969 17%	64,937 7%	339,459 38%	154,350 17%	122,471 14%	887,208
State Total	213,561 6%	597,220 17%	279,666 8%	1,294,651 38%	544,994 16%	484,692 14%	3,414,784

Economics

<i>Business Profile (2001)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (2001)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Net</i>
Agriculture	56	2.3%	183	0.8%	Sikorsky Aircraft Corp.	\$161,470,960	5.12%
Const. and Mining	324	13.4%	1,478	6.3%	Dock Inc.	\$23,385,990	0.74%
Manufacturing	169	7.0%	6,787	29.0%	Exxon Mobil Oil Corp.	\$21,907,820	0.69%
Trans. and Utilities	91	3.8%	727	3.1%	Merritt 8 Acquisitions LLC	\$15,039,850	0.48%
Trade	584	24.2%	4,188	17.9%	Dresser Re Inc.	\$14,604,690	0.46%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	176	7.3%	1,157	4.9%	Net Grand List ()	\$3,154,044,928	
Services	991	41.1%	8,013	34.2%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	18	0.7%	898	3.8%	Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation	Mobil Chemical Company Inc	
Total	2,409	100.0%	23,431	100.0%	Allied Signal Aerospace	Stop & Shop 639	
					Dianon Systems Inc		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1999)</i>	\$2,182,859,506	\$76,264,820,474

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Connecticut Mastery Test: Percent Above Goal</i>						
Total Students	3,805	461,203	Grade 4		Grade 6		Grade 8		
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$8,748	\$8,300	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	
Average Teacher's Salary	\$53,332	\$48,598	Reading	56 55	65 60	66 64			
Students Attending Public School	87.2%	89.2%	Math	66 59	55 59	43 51			
Student/Teacher Ratio	16.0	14.5	Writing	45 46	54 46	64 51			
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	80.1%	75.8%	<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>			
High School Dropout Rate	2.4%	4.6%	Verbal		473	503			
<i>Average Class Size</i>			Math		475	499			
Kindergarten 18.4	Grade 2 21.1								
Grade 5 21.5	Grade 7 24.9	High School 20.9							

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Government

Government Form	Council-Manager	Annual Debt Service (1999)	\$11,532,608
		As % of Expenditures	10.3%
Total Revenue (1999)	\$111,256,115	Total Expenditures (1999)	\$111,894,140
Tax Revenue	\$87,146,639	Education	\$58,771,666
Non-tax Revenue	\$24,109,476	Other	\$53,122,474
Intergovernmental	\$20,691,091	Total Indebtness (1999)	\$187,497,243
Per Capita Tax (1999)	\$1,775	As % of Expenditures	167.6%
As % of State Average	114.6%	Per Capita	\$3,819
		As % of State Average	277.2%
		Equalized Grand List (2001)	\$4,415,836,672
		Per Capita	\$89,939
		As % of State Average	0.6%
		Date of Last Revaluation (2001)	2000
		Moody's Bond Rating (1999)	A2
		Actual Mill Rate (1999)	33.50
		Equalized Mill Rate (1999)	23.25
		% of Grand List Com/Ind (1999)	17.0%

Housing

Housing Stock (1999)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (2000)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	20,578	339,145	1,392,233	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	74.2%	64.4%	63.4%	Less than \$100,000	136	1,797	12,351
New Permits Auth. (1999)	38	2,362	10,794	\$100,001-\$200,000	635	4,820	24,349
As % Existing Units	0.18%	0.70%	0.78%	\$200,001-\$300,000	185	3,386	9,063
Demolitions (1998)	6	517	2,968	\$300,001-\$400,000	25	2,197	4,013
Residential Sales (2000)	993	17,115	56,032	\$400,001 or More	12	4,915	6,256
Average Price	\$156,562	\$366,544	\$219,784	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$131,500	\$224,900	\$135,500	Owner Occupied Dwellings	15,399	208,121	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	40.0%	34.2%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	1,494	30,502	148,930

Labor Force

(2000)	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)		
Labor Force	24,539	452,843	1,746,503	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents	Commuting to
Employed	23,930	444,068	1,707,150	Stratford	7,732	Stratford 7,732
Unemployed	609	8,775	39,353	Bridgeport	5,307	Bridgeport 5,883
Unemployment Rate	2.5%	1.9%	2.3%	Milford	2,853	Fairfield 1,406
Total Employment	26,600	430,560	1,693,400	Shelton	2,154	Norwalk 1,349
'92-'00 Growth (AAGR)	-1.2%	1.3%	1.3%	Trumbull	1,316	Trumbull 1,348
Manufacturing	8,760	69,920	268,400	West Haven	960	Milford 1,299
				Fairfield	843	Shelton 872
				Ansonia	826	Stamford 792
				Derby	700	Westport 667

Quality of Life

	Town	State	Library (1999)	Town	Residential Utilities
Banks (2000)	12	1,183	Total Volumes	151,238	Electric Provider
Lodging (1998)	4	756	Circulation Per Capita	6.4	The United Illuminating Co.
Day Care Facilities (1999)	23	1,722			(800) 257-0141
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 births (1998)	8.5	7.0	Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Crime Rate (1999) Per 1,000 Residents	32	33	Hartford	45	Southern Connecticut Gas Company
% Open Land (1990)	27.3%	68.7%	Boston	134	(203) 382-8111
			New York City	57	Water Provider
			Providence	98	Aquarion Water Company
					(800) 732-9678
Hospitals (1999)	0	7			Cable Provider
Total Beds	0	1,954			Cablevision Systems of Southern CT
					203-336-2225